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Northaven Gets New Shelby County Fire Station

Shelby County Mayor Mark H. Luttrell, Jr. will host a grand opening ceremony next week for a new fire station in Northaven.

"This will be a state-of-the-art facility for our Shelby County firefighters and personnel with Rural Metro Ambulance Service. We appreciate this opportunity to better serve residents and businesses in this part of north Shelby County," said Shelby County Mayor Mark H. Luttrell, Jr.

A dedication ceremony for the new fire station will be held on Tuesday, May 15th, at 10:30 a.m. at 944 Northaven Drive. That's at the corner of Northaven Drive at Breckenwood. Mayor Luttrell, Shelby County Fire Chief Clarence Cash, Jr. and others will speak.

"The new Fire Station #67 takes the place of our building nearby on North Circle Road. That facility was built in the mid-1970s and was originally a convenience store before it was converted into our fire station," said Shelby County Fire Chief Clarence Cash, Jr.

The new fire station will be twice the size of the old one, having additional space to house a reserve fire engine. It took 8 months to build and cost \$1.3 million dollars.

Shelby County Fire Station #67 serves 28 square miles of Shelby County, which includes 1,604 homes, 37 commercial properties, 8 churches and Northaven Elementary School.

"We're so pleased to have the new fire station in our community. Not only will it help keep our students and community residents safe, the beautiful new building will be a gateway to our neighborhood," said Louis Padgett, Principal of Northaven Elementary School and sponsor of the Northaven Community Association.

The old fire station will be leased to Impact Baptist Church, which will use it for an after-school program and community center. "This will be a wonderful way for us to partner with Shelby County Government to serve young people and others from the Northaven community," said Dr. Michael C. Ellis, Senior Pastor of Impact Baptist Church. Additionally, the church will soon build a new multipurpose facility and sanctuary in Northaven next door to the elementary school at 5157 North Circle Road.

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